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CONVERSATION

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Hey, what do you think you're doing?

I can't study at home, because my family talks so loudly.

Can you really focus in there?

Well, study at the library then.

Yes, it's always really quiet.

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When you do, make sure you get a good seat.

I'll give it a shot today.

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Why?

Are there not
enough seats for
everyone?



It depends
on when you go.

I'm going at
1:00 a.m.

Dude, it's
not even open
that late.



But that's the
best time for me.

Alright.
Good one.

You can
always try a cafe.
They tend to close late
or sometimes not at
all.



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EXPLANATION



“What do you think you’re doing?” Is not a real question. It’s just a way to show that you’re surprised or displeased with someone’s action.

When people are angry, they usually say “What the heck do you think you’re doing?”

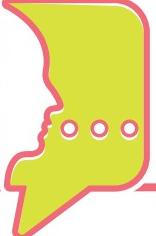
The word **heck**, is the polite way of saying “**hell**”. Don’t say **hell**, it’s not polite.

“I can’t study at home, because my family talks so loudly.” The word “**family**” is a **collective noun**.

Collective nouns are names of collections of **people or things**.
Examples

- **Team** = a collection of players.
- **Staff** = a collection of people who work in the same place.
- **Flock** = a collection of birds.
- **Etc.**

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Collective nouns can be thought of as **single** or **plural nouns**.

Sometimes we can use collective nouns as single.

- My family talks.

We added (**s**) because we treated the word “**family**” as **a single noun**.

And sometimes we will use it as **plural**.

- Saw a **flock** of sheep.

The verb that follows will not need an extra (**s**).

“**I’ll give it a shot**” That’s an idiom

Meaning: to give something a shot is to try to do it.

“**Dude**” Is American English slang for “**guy**” or “**man**” or in other countries like Australia or England “**mate**”.

“**They tend to close late**”

Tend to do something means: to frequently do it.

You can think of it as saying “**usually**”.

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Hey, what do you think you're doing?

أنت، مَاذا تظن نفسك فاعلاً؟

I can't study at home, because my family talks so loudly.

لا أستطيع الدراسة في المنزل، لأن أفراد عائلتي يتحدثون بصوت عالٍ.

Well, study at the library then

حسناً، ادرس في المكتبة إذن.



Can you really focus in there?

هل يمكنك حقاً التركيز هناك؟

Yes, it's always really quiet

نعم، أنها حقاً هادئة دائماً.

I'll give it a shot today.

سوف أقوم بتجربتها اليوم.

When you do, make sure you get a good seat.

عند القيام بذلك، تأكد من حصولك على مقعد جيد.



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Why? Are there not enough seats for everyone?

لماذا؟ ألا توجد مقاعد كافية للجميع؟

It depends on when you go.

ذلك يعتمد على وقت ذهابك.

I'm going at 1:00 a.m.

سوف أذهب في الواحدة صباحاً.

Dude, it's not even open that late.

يا صاحبي، لن تكون مفتوحة في ذلك الوقت المتأخر.

But that's the best time for me.

ولكن هذا هو أفضل وقت بالنسبة لي.

You can always try a cafe.

They tend to close late or not at all.

يمكنك دائماً تجربة مقهى.

عادةً ما يفضلون الإغلاق في وقت متأخر أو لا يغلقون أبداً.



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